

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in the present application. Applicants acknowledge and appreciate that claims 1-9 were indicated to include allowable subject matter. Reconsideration of the present application in view of the reasons set forth herein is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-9 stand objected to because of informalities. Claims 1-6 and 9 have been amended to as matters of form without adding any new subject matter. Accordingly, claims 1-9 are now in an allowable form. Therefore, Applicants respectfully assert that in light of the amendments and arguments provided herein, the objected claims 1-9 are now allowable.

Consequently, Applicants respectfully request immediate reconsideration and allowance of their pending claims in the present application. Applicants also believe that a full and complete response has been made to the Office Action. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider all the pending claims.

In view of these remarks and amendments, the application is now in condition for allowance and Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested. If for any reason Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at the Houston, Texas telephone number (713) 934-4089 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Date:

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Respectfully submitted,

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